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Communication system for Passengers in a Transport Facility

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## INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

In accordance with 37 CFR § 1.56, Applicant wishes to call the attention of the Examiner to the following references:

- 1) DE 34 44 802
- 2) DE 37 19 105
- 3) US 6,760,757 (corresponds to EP 0890907)
- 4) US 5,559,865 (corresponds to WO 96/02094)
- 5) US 6,757,712 (corresponds to WO 00/14987)
- 6) GB 2324395
- 7) US 2001/022783

- 8) US 5,966,442
- 9) US 6,002,929

Reference 1 discloses that for performing passenger-related and/or air-steward-related information, supplying, monitoring, entertainment, intercommunication and management functions, respective signals necessary for this are generated digitally and transmitted by way of a data bus system, e.g. in accordance with Patent Application No. 8518052, respective data terminals are installed at the passenger seats and, by way of the data bus system, exchange digital signals with a central processing and interface unit or computer, in such a way that computing operations instigated from the terminals are performed by the computer and the relevant results are displayed by means of a terminal-side display panel.

Reference 2 discloses that in the case of an aircraft passenger seat having at least one integrated component which requires electrical power, said component is the receiving part (6) of an information system which transmits information in a wire-free manner to the seat.

References 3 - 9 are all in the English language and therefore need no further discussion as to their relevance. In accordance with United States Patent and Trademark practice, it is not necessary to enclose copies of the U.S. Patents.

Copies of the listed documents (with the exception of the US Patents) are submitted herewith along with the form PTO-1449.

It is respectfully requested that any fees required and not enclosed herewith or any shortages in any fees be charged to Deposit Account 02-1653.

Consideration of the foregoing in relation to this application is respectfully requested.

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